

HUMAN RIGHTS AUTHORITY
SOUTH SUBURBAN REGION MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 12th, 2010

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The regular scheduled meeting of the Human Rights Authority, South Suburban Region was called to order by Judith Rauls, Chairperson at 9:08 a.m.

PRESENT: Judith Rauls, Kimberlee Brewerton, Michele Arthur, Georgia Jones, Theresa Buell and Carol Genutis.

Members Absent: Bruce Berry

STAFF: Geraldine Boatman

GUESTS: None

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson read the confidentiality statement. It was determined that a quorum was present, and all business could be conducted.

II. COMMUNICATION

It was moved by Theresa Buell to accept the June 10th, 2010 Meeting Minutes as amended to reflect the election of officers for fiscal year 2011. Motion was seconded by Carol Genutis and carried.

III. NEW COMPLAINTS

There were six new complaints for discussion.

10-040-9025 (Cila) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to not accept the complaint for investigation because a signed release was not received. The complaint was received in January and attempts have been made to secure a release. Motion was seconded by Theresa Buell and carried.

10-040-9026 (Nursing Home) Theresa Buell moved to not accept the complaint about discharge because the guardian is satisfied with the current placement. Theresa Buell moved to accept the complaint about medication for investigation pending a proper release. Motions were seconded by Kimberlee Brewerton and carried.

11-040-9001 (Hospital) Theresa Buell moved to accept the complaint for investigation pending a signed release. Motion was seconded by Kimberlee Brewerton and carried.

11-040-9002 (Hospital) Theresa Buell moved to accept the complaint about the resident's right to be discharged and to choose his own physicians. A signed release was received. The complaint about the resident's dental care was referred to the Illinois Department of Public Health for immediate action. Motions were seconded by Kimberlee Brewerton and carried.

11-040-9003 (Cila) Theresa Buell moved to not accept the complaint about medical care because the complainant reported that the resident goes to wound care monthly. Theresa Buell moved to not accept the complaint about medication because the complainant reported that the resident medication is stored in a cabinet. Theresa Buell moved to postpone accepting the complaint about the direct care staff flushing (irrigating) a resident's catheter for additional information. The complaint does not appear to be a possible violation unless the tube is connected to a direct line according to information obtained at the meeting. Theresa Buell moved to postpone accepting the complaint about access to the community and personal allowance pending additional information and possible releases. Motions were seconded by Kimberlee Brewerton and carried.

11-040-9004 (Cila) Theresa Buell moved to accept the complaint for investigation pending a signed release. Motion was seconded by Kimberlee Brewerton and carried.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Chairperson motioned to move the meeting into closed session at 10:25 a.m. pursuant to Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act to discuss status of cases, provider's responses, reports, case assignments and case closures. Michele Arthur moved and the motion carried.

New Case Assignments:

10-040-9026 (Lydia Healthcare) (Michele and Carol)
11-040-9001 (Advocate Christ Medical Center) (Georgia and Michele)
11-040-9002 (Riviera Care Center) (Judy and Kimberlee)
11-040-9004 (St. Coletta of Illinois) (Michele, Theresa and Kimberlee)

Progress Reports:

10-040-9006 (Tinley Park Mental Health Center) (Kim)
10-040-9007 (Sertoma Centre) (Theresa and Carol)
10-040-9010 (Palos Hospital) (Michele and Carol)
10-040-9011 (Trinity Cila Program) (Michele and Kim)
10-040-9013 (Advocate Christ Medical Center) (Lauren and Judy)
10-040-9014 (Trinity Behavioral Health Program) (Bruce and Theresa)
10-040-9015 (Riviera Care Center) (Judy and Carol)
10-040-9016 (Elizabeth Ludeman Developmental Center) (Theresa and Judy)
10-040-9020 (St. James Hospital) (Judy and Carol)
10-040-9023 (Individual Advocacy Group) (Judy)

10-040-9024 (Burnham Healthcare) (Judy and Michele)

Draft Reports/Responses

09-040-9010 (Tinley Park MHC) A provider's response was reviewed.

09-040-9011 (Saint James Hospital) A provider's response was not reviewed.

09-040-9012 (Tinley Park MHC) A provider's response was reviewed.

09-040-9013 (Tinley Park MHC) A provider's response was reviewed

10-040-9001 (Imperial of Hazel Crest) (Carol) A report was reviewed.

10-040-9004 (Woodside Extended Care) A provider's response was reviewed.

10-040-9005 (Heather Healthcare) (Judy) A report was reviewed.

Open session reconvened at 11:20 a.m. having taken no action in closed session. Theresa Buell moved and the motion carried. A summary of closed session included eleven progress reports, two reports and four providers' responses.

V. Reports/Accept Response/ Closures/ Make Report Available to the Public

09-040-9010 (Tinley Park MHC) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to accept the provider's response, close the case and to make the report a part of the public record. The provider did not request that its response be made public. Theresa Buell seconded and motion carried.

09-040-9011 (Saint James Hospital) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to keep the case open for policy revision and staff training documentation. Theresa Buell seconded and motion carried. The case will be reviewed at the next meeting.

09-040-9012 (Tinley Park MHC) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to accept the provider's response, close the case and to make the report a part of the public record. The provider did not request that its response be made public. Theresa Buell seconded and motion carried.

09-040-9013 (Tinley Park MHC) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to keep the case open for staff training documentation. Theresa Buell seconded and motion carried. The case will be reviewed at the next meeting.

10-040-9001 (Imperial Nursing Home) Theresa Buell moved to accept the report of findings that contain violations. Kimberlee Brewerton seconded and motion carried.

10-040-9004 (Woodside Extended Care) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to accept the provider's response, close the case and to make the report a part of the public record. The provider requested that its response not be made public. Theresa Buell seconded and motion carried.

10-040-9005 (Heather Health Care) Theresa Buell moved to accept the report of findings that contains violations. Kimberlee Brewerton seconded and motion carried.

10-040-9006 (Tinley Park Mental Health) A report will be reviewed at the next meeting.

OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The South Suburban HRA welcomed Georgia Jones, Citizen Member to its volunteer board.

The members were informed that Lauren Pell, Citizen Member term expired in July 2010.

Carol Genutis, Lauren Pell, Michele Arthur and Georgia Jones completed mileage forms.

The next meeting is scheduled at the Civic Center, Rotanda Room in Orland Park on September 9th, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Regional Authority is looking for citizen HRA members.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairperson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Theresa Buell moved the motion. Michele Arthur seconded and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Genutis, Secretary
Human Rights Authority
South Suburban Region